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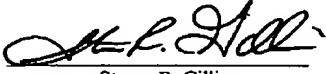
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on July 6, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire October 6, 2005. In light of the Amendments and/or Remarks herein, further examination is requested.